An act to amend Section 13628.5 of the Water Code, relating to water quality, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.



THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- SECTION 1. Section 13628.5 of the Water Code is amended to read:
- 13628.5. (a) The Wastewater Operator Certification Fund is hereby created in the State Treasury.
- (b) Beginning July 1, 2010, the fees collected pursuant to Section 13627.5 or 13628 All of the following moneys shall be deposited in the Wastewater Operator Certification Fund. Fund:



- (2) Fees collected pursuant to this chapter.
- (3) Notwithstanding Section 16305.7 of the Government Code, all interest earned upon moneys that are deposited in the fund.
- (c) The state board may expend the moneys in the Wastewater Operator

 Certification Fund, upon appropriation by the Legislature, for purposes of administering this chapter.
- SEC. 2. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:

In order to make changes necessary for implementation of the Budget Act of 2011, it is necessary that this act take effect immediately.



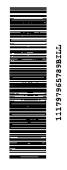
LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST



Under existing law, the State Water Resources Control Board operates a wastewater treatment plant classification and operator certification program pursuant to which supervisors and operators of wastewater treatment plants are required to possess certificates of the appropriate grade. Existing law authorizes the board to impose fees to cover the costs of the program, and requires the fees to be deposited in the Wastewater Operator Certification Fund. The board is authorized to expend the moneys in the fund, upon appropriation by the Legislature, for purposes of administering the program.

This bill would additionally require other moneys appropriated by the Legislature for deposit in the fund, and interest earned upon moneys in the fund, to be deposited into the fund.

This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.



Vote: 2/3. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

